

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 757 - HB 856

March 20, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the Achievement School District (ASD) from expanding a school that has been placed in the ASD, beyond the grades the school previously served. Prohibits the ASD from recruiting students for an ASD school that are zoned for another school.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The amount of state and local Basic Education Program (BEP) funding that is retained by the ASD may change beginning in FY15-16, if ASD funding is required to be transferred back to the regular LEA. These amounts cannot be quantified and are dependent upon multiple unknown factors.

Assumptions:

- No decrease in the number of schools within the ASD.
- The implementation of this bill may require the ASD to serve a smaller number of students because some ASD schools are already serving students in grades beyond those the school served prior to joining the ASD. If so, this would trigger a transfer of students out of the ASD resulting in a decrease in state and local BEP funding transferring from the LEA to the ASD.
- The amount of any such decrease is unknown and is dependent upon the number of students enrolled in grades that were not a part of a school when it was initially assigned to the ASD, and whether those students are able to transfer to another ASD school or another school within their regular LEA.
- The ASD will not be prevented from implementing a school take-over on a grade-by-grade basis as result of this bill.
- No change in the BEP formula.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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